

# Important Dates & Community Events

## Town Calendar

### Town Hall will be closed on the following dates:

November 11 — Veterans Day  
November 28 & 29 — Thanksgiving  
December 24-26 — Christmas  
January 1 — New Years  
January 20 — Martin Luther King Day  
February 17 — Presidents Day  
April 10 — Good Friday

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

### FROM THE TAX DEPARTMENT

### 2019 Property Taxes are due

2019 taxes not paid in full will begin accruing interest on January 8, 2020 at the rate of 2% for the month of January and 0.75% each month thereafter taxes are delinquent. The additional interest is added on the first day of each month.

Please call our office to verify your balance.

Barbara Jones, Tax Collector

### Town Council & Planning Board Meetings:

Schedules can be found online at  
[www.jonesvillenc.gov](http://www.jonesvillenc.gov)

### Jonesville Town Council

**Mayor Gene Pardue**

**Mayor Pro Tempore Anita Darnell**

**Andy Green    Wayne Moore**  
**Tracy Wall     Regina Adkins**

### Town Manager

**Michael Pardue**

### Jonesville Police Department

**Police Chief Dane Mastin**

**Captain Scotty Vestal**

### Town Hall & Police Department

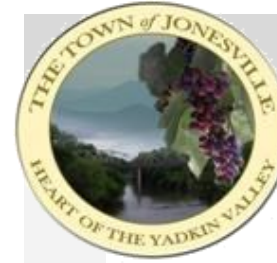
**1503 NC Highway 67**

**Town Hall 336.835.3426**

**Police Department 336.835.5020**

**After Hours & Weekends**  
**(Water or Police) 336.835.2855**

**Emergency - 911**



# Jonesville Journal

*Welcome to Jonesville*



*~Visit a Little While, Stay a Lifetime~*

You know how they say "You can't get there from here"? Have you ever heard anyone say, "You can't get here from there"? We're going to let you in on a little secret: you can answer both of those questions at the Jonesville Welcome Center, located at 1503 Highway 67 in Jonesville, NC.

For those new to the area, and long-time residents, the Welcome Center is decidedly not just for tourists - it's actually a treasure-trove of local information, including community services, recreation, real estate guides, maps, wineries, restaurants, schools, churches, civic groups, area events, arts and crafts, and much more. In other words, no matter what "there" you are from, getting "here" is as easy as a visit to the Welcome Center. In the same building, you will also find the town offices and the police department, where you will always get professional and courteous help. Need to pay your water bill or property taxes? Have a question about zoning? Want to start your own business here? Want to attend a public meeting and voice your opinion? Have a question for a police officer? The Jonesville Welcome Center/Jonesville Administration/Jonesville Police Department building is YOUR community resource, conveniently housed in an architecturally beautiful, modern building, with lots of free parking. Y'all come!

The Welcome Center also serves those from outside our area, whether they are just passing through and need a respite from the highway, or whether they are tourists visiting for a day or three and are seeking information on our area wineries, our many hiking trails, our canoeing/kayaking adventures on the Yadkin River, our antique shops, our festivals, and of course, much, much more. At the Welcome Center you will find numerous brochures, guides, maps, and area magazines, all free of charge. The Welcome Center also boasts a courteous and knowledgeable staff, always eager to answer most any question a visitor might have, always willing to help the traveler to get there from here, no matter where they might be going.

For the resident or the visitor, for those just grabbing a bite to eat, for those just trying to figure out where they are and where they are going, it's readily obvious that the people who live or work in the Town of Jonesville are proud of our little corner of the world and are eager to share our knowledge. Visit us often! For Welcome Center & Event Information call 336-835-2000.

Town Hall & Police Department office hours:  
8:30AM-5:00PM Monday-Friday.

The Welcome Center is staffed:  
Monday-Sunday from 10:00AM-6:00PM.

All offices are closed on major holidays.

Fall 2019/ Winter 2020 Edition



Have you liked us on Facebook yet? Keep up with upcoming events and Town news by following us at <https://www.facebook.com/townofjonesvillenc/>



### Seasonal Safety:

The weather may still be warm outside, but, unbelievably, the holiday season begins next month. This is a season of family, fun and festivities, however it also poses some serious safety risks. To stay safe during the holidays we all need to think ahead.

Exterior illumination is a wonderful way to share the spirit of season but be sure to check those bulbs and cords for damage. Replace any that show signs of wear and check to ensure that the replacements are low or no heat emitting. Hanging lights can also be dangerous, so work in pairs and never use the top step of a ladder as a step.

Interior decorations are another favorite way to spread seasonal cheer, but make sure that they are non-flammable or flame retardant. Remember that live Christmas trees must be watered daily and artificial trees should be flame-retardant. In the spirit of thinking ahead, while they may not be decorations, while you make your holiday preparations go ahead and check those smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors and fire extinguishers just to be safe.

For those who enjoy the warmth of a wood fireplace, it is important you have your chimney cleaned and checked for repairs.

The best holiday is a safe holiday and I hope that the 2019 holiday season is the best one yet!

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Council Member Andy Green



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# SAVE THE DATE

## June 5-7, 2020

Music—Food—Demonstrations—  
Vendors—Trail Hiking

Follow Jonesville TDA FB & web-page for additional  
information in the months to come!

[VisitJonesvilleNC.com](http://VisitJonesvilleNC.com)

Events will be held at the  
Jonesville Greenway Trailhead  
on Plaza Street and  
throughout Elkin.





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### December 7 —Yadkin Valley Senior Center

Small Business Saturday

10 am—4pm

Come out and support local small businesses and find some great gifts for all those on your list or even something nice for yourself!

Vendor spots are \$10.

Call 336-526-1087 for more info.

### 2nd Annual Community Christmas Party

December 7 @ Lila Swaim Park

2pm — 7pm



Something for kids of all ages 1 day to 101 years!!

Hot chocolate & cookies, crafts, singing & dancing and SANTA CLAUS!

We will end the night with popcorn & movie starting at sunset.

Vendors call Town Hall for a space.

### Jonesville/ Elkin Christmas Parade



December 8 @ 2 pm

“ Christmas Around the World”

Line up will be at the old bowling alley & Adam’s Seafood Building in Jonesville

#### Registration Fees

Non-Profit Organizations \* Cruise Car \*  
Emergency Services Vehicles ALL FREE

#### Businesses:

Early Bird Submission - \$100 - Deadline 11/20/2019

Pre-Decorated Float - \$525 - Deadline 11/20/2019

Submission - \$125 - Deadline 12/7/2019 @ noon

Day-of - \$150 Deadline 12/8/2019 @ 12 noon

Contact Cody with the Downtown Elkin Business Association by email [codyamburn@gmail.com](mailto:codyamburn@gmail.com) for more information.

## Safety Reminders!

### Fire Safety during Winter Storms

Winter storms can happen almost anywhere. They can cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveway and front walk of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters will be able to find you.
- Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery-powered lighting and fresh batteries. Never use candles.
- Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.
- Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage, even if the door is open.
- Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to authorities.
- Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away.
- Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to bed.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!



**Fact**  
Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.

**Arlington Fire & Rescue at 336-835-5195**

# Safety Reminders!

## Freezing Temps are on the Way! Prevent frozen water lines with these tips!

### Outdoor plumbing tips

- Close all foundation vents and fill the vents with styrofoam blocks or wood to prevent cold wind from reaching unprotected pipes.
- Disconnect garden hoses and be sure to drain all in-ground irrigation systems.
- Cover outside faucets or hose bibs with insulation. Use molded foam insulation covers, newspaper, or rags and wrap in plastic.

### Indoor plumbing protection

- Check your attic, crawl space, basement and other non-heated areas to insulate and protect.
- Open cupboard doors in the kitchen and in your bathrooms to allow plumbing to gain more heat from your home.
- If you're planning on heading out of town, put your furnace on a low setting to help prevent freezing pipes by keeping the temperature of the home slightly elevated.
- When temperatures drop below freezing, use a slow drip of cold water to keep your faucet from freezing.

### What to do if pipes freeze

When a pipe freezes it can cause a buildup of pressure inside the pipe, causing it to burst and leak. Safely thaw plumbing lines with a carefully monitored heat lamp, hot wash cloth, or common hair dryer. When thawed, leave a small amount of water dripping to ensure it doesn't happen again.

### What to do if pipes break

- Shut off the main water line to prevent additional water from damaging your home. Open the faucets to relieve any remaining pressure.
- Turn off the water heater and shut-off the valve on the cold-water inlet.
- If there is any water damage to the area, be sure to clean quickly to prevent mold.
- Call a professional plumber to repair the issue.



Check online or contact Town Hall  
at 336.835.3426 to find out how  
you can help!



Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.

New Trash and Recycling Calendar  
will be available for pick up in  
December!



## Chili and Soup Cook Off!

Winter will be approaching, so it will be the perfect time of year for our second annual Chili and Soup Cook Off! November 16th from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Contestants: Please have your registration filled out and turned in by November 11th 2019. Registration for your recipe is \$5.00 for the first one and \$1.00 per extra recipe you enter in the contest (which also gets you a tasting of everything). Judging will be done by the public and the winner will be announced at the end of the cook off.



Want to taste but not cook? No worries! You can be the judge! For only \$5.00, you get the chance to taste everything here and cast your vote for the best soup and best chili! All proceeds benefit the Jonesville Library Building Fund!

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

Last year, when we lost our beloved Branch Librarian Barbara Gilpin, we held a blood drive in her honor. This year, we will hold another November blood drive on November 22nd from 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Please consider coming out and giving blood to save lives!

## Annual Holiday Celebration



What better place to come and celebrate the holidays than at the library? Games, snacks, and presents for all who come! We will have a certain jolly ol' man stop by and you will have your chance to take a picture with him! We will start our celebration by holding '*Christmas with a Cop*' and the Jonesville Police Department at 4 p.m.! Afterwards, we will start and games and hand out prizes! Celebration will end at 7 p.m.! Fun for all ages!





# What's happening at the Jonesville Library...



**Special Closings:** November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving, December 24th, 25th and 26th for Christmas! We hope that everyone has wonderful holidays ahead!

**Bod Squad:** Have you heard about this amazing group? Join our Bod Squad for your chance to change your life! We are a support group for those who are looking for a healthier lifestyle change or just want to reach a goal! There are special events every month, so stayed tuned!



**Walking at Lila Swaim** - Biweekly, we will walk at Lila Swaim Park at the track from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Dates are: November 15th, December 13th, and December 27th!

For specific library news, please join our email list for our monthly newsletter! You can sign up for this once a month email by sending a private message via our social media pages, or by sending an email to [jva@nwrl.org](mailto:jva@nwrl.org)!



Join us for Wiggle Worm Wednesdays

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## What's going on...

### Jonesville Sewer Collection System Rehabilitation Project Update

The 12-month long sewer construction project, which is expected to be completed by June 2020, began in early August.

To date the following sewer improvements have been completed:

- New 8" gravity sewer lines on Frances Pruitt St – 100% complete.
- New sewer lines on E Main St and Williams St – approx. 90% complete. They are expected to be completed and in service by the end of October.
- New 12" sewer outfall adjacent to the Jonesville Greenway – approx. 80% complete. They are projected to be completed and put in service by the second week in November.
- Repairs of defective main lines and tap connections have begun, with the most recent repairs being completed on Pine St.
- Repairs of defective cleanouts and service lines.

Project Construction Schedule (Subject to Change):

- New 8" gravity sewer lines on Jonesville Blvd – start first week in November.
- New 8" gravity sewer lines on Cherry St – start end of November.
- Repairs of defective main lines and tap connections – continuous.
- Repairs of defective cleanouts and service lines – continuous.
- Manhole rehabilitation and repair – start mid to late November.
- Pipe lining – start January or February 2020.
- Asphalt paving/patching – continuous.

There will be some disruptions, but efforts will be made to minimize the disruptions and the end result will be a better functioning sewer system that helps protect the citizens of Jonesville and the quality of water in the Yadkin River. Please call the Yadkin Valley Sewer Authority office at 336-835-9819 with any concerns, issues, or questions.

### STAFF:

Executive Director: Nicole Johnston

Assistant Executive Director/Financial Clerk: Dave Johnson

Supervisor/ORC: Alvin Hayes

Administrative Assistant/Board Clerk: Portia Hayes

Office Assistant: Nikki Hembree

Location: 500 NC HWY 268 W., Elkin, NC 28621

Phone: (336) 835-9819

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8 AM til 5PM

After Hours Phone: (336) 366-9819



## Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG)

Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) is a leading cause of sewer backups. FOG occurs when cooking fats are poured down the drain and coat the inside of the pipes, eventually forming a blockage. In response to the number of blockages caused by grease and in order to maintain compliance with U.S. EPA regulations, the Commission began a Fats, Oils, and Grease Program to educate residential customers on the hazards of grease clogs in the sewer system. The goal of the program is that residents understand the proper disposal of grease and other FOG forming foods is in the garbage, rather than in the sink or toilet.

### FATS:

Meat Trimmings  
Uncooked Poultry Skin  
Cheese  
Ice Cream  
Peanut Butter  
Butter

\*\* Place Fats directly in the Trash can or another container to put in the trash for proper disposal\*\*

### OIL:

Salad Dressing  
Cooking Oil  
Vegetable Oil  
Canola Oil  
Olive Oil  
Corn Oil

\*\* Pour used oil into a jar or can with a lid before placing in the trash can. Hot water and soap do not eliminate oil; it will eventually reform in the pipes.\*\*

### Grease:

Cooked/Melted Fat from Meat  
Bacon/Sausage  
Skin from Boiled Poultry  
Gravy  
Mayonnaise  
Salad Dressing

\*\* Pour liquid into a grease can or other Container with a lid and place in trash can once it has cooled. Running hot water over greasy cookware in the sink only pushes it into the pipes where it hardens.\*\*

### *A Message from the Yadkin Valley Sewer Authority*



#### ***DID YOU KNOW . . .***

*Most sanitary sewer backups occur between your home and the Authority's sewer main? You can help prevent a costly and unsanitary overflow by following a few simple steps:*

#### **DO**

Scrape excess grease in a container and dispose of it in the garbage. Place food scraps in waste containers or garbage bags for disposal with solid wastes, or start a compost pile; promote use of scraping cookware prior to washing.

Place a wastebasket in the bathroom to dispose of solid wastes. Disposable diapers and wipes, condoms, and personal hygiene products can not be processed in the sewer system. Promote the concept of "3 R's": Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

#### **DO NOT**

Pour grease, fats, and oils from cooking down the drain. Use the toilet as a wastebasket.  
Use the sewer as a means of disposing food scraps.

#### ***DID YOU KNOW...***

Wipes Clog Pipes – In addition to FOG, there is a new danger to our sewer:

"Disposable" wipes. Cleaning wipes, baby wipes, and other wipes that are sometimes described as "disposable" or "flushable" generally do not dissolve when flushed.

**Instead, they accumulate in the sewer system causing clogs and backups.**



### **Ask me about the 3 P's**

#### **(Pee, Poop, and toilet Paper)**

Please DO NOT flush anything other than the 3 P's down the toilet as it will clog our pumps and damage our equipment and the Collection System. To the left is a picture of one of the pumps at our 455 River Road Pump Station that was recently clogged by catheters. This causes damage to the pumps.